

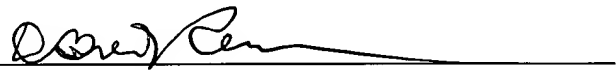
application). Accordingly, Applicant submits that claims 18-21 may be appropriately included for prosecution on the merits along with claims 1-4 and 15-17.

Full examination of the claims is respectfully requested.

This application is now believed to be in immediate condition for allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested. If the Examiner's next anticipated action is to be anything other than a Notice of Allowance, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone interview prior to issuance of any such subsequent action.

Respectfully submitted,

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